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# **Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

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- A substitute specification in compliance with 37 CFR 1.52, 1.121(b)(3), and 1.125, is required. The
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